

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled REMOVAL OF ACCUMULATED MATERIAL, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56(a).

I hereby claim no foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 119; but, I claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Sec. 120 of my prior United States application 08/837,911, filed April 11, 1997.

I hereby appoint GEORGE E. KERSEY, Reg. No. 20,136 as the attorney to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Address all telephone calls to GEORGE E. KERSEY, at telephone No. (781) 581-5103; facsimile (617) 738-4382. Address all correspondence to GEORGE E. KERSEY, P.O. Box 1073, Framingham, MA 01701.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to an invention entitled REMOVAL OF ACCUMULATED MATERIAL described in

- (X) the specification filed herewith  
( ) application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) patent no. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted conveyed or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in the loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate.  
(37 CFR 1.28(b))

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